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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Vishnu K. Agarwal

§ Group Art Unit:

Serial No.:

§ Examiner:

Filed: August 31, 2000

§ Atty. Docket: 98-0616.13

For: DEVICE AND METHOD FOR PROTECTING
AGAINST OXIDATION OF A CONDUCTIVE LAYER IN
SAID DEVICE

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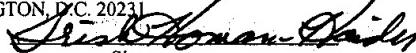
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After awarding the above-captioned application the benefit of the priority date of its parent -
- application #09/200,253, filed November 25, 1998 -- please amend the current application as
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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Immediately after the title, please add the following: --

Related Application

A1
This application is a divisional of U.S. application Ser. No. 09/200,253, filed Nov. 25,
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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-44 and 49-75 without prejudice.

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